

MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

MEETING DATE:

September 24, 2007

CALL TO PODIUM:

Tony Tomasello, Assistant City Manager

RESPONSIBLE STAFF:

Tony Tomasello, Assistant City Manager

Peter Geiling, Director of Facilities

Cindy Hines, Olde Towne Coordinator

AGENDA ITEM:

(please check one)

	Presentation
	Proclamation/Certificate
	Appointment
	Public Hearing
	Historic District
	Consent Item
	Ordinance
	Resolution
	Policy Discussion
X	Work Session Discussion Item
	Other:

PUBLIC HEARING HISTORY:

(Please complete this section if agenda item is a public hearing)

Introduced	
Advertised	
Hearing Date	
Record Held Open	
Policy Discussion	

TITLE:

Presentation of Clock Tower Plaza Project

SUPPORTING BACKGROUND:

The Clock Tower Plaza project will serve to expand and enhance the existing plaza and construct a clock tower to house the City's mechanical clock works.

Staff will make a brief PowerPoint presentation to update the Mayor & Council on the project's goals, firms currently working on the project, design elements, and next steps.

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Hear presentation; Provide feedback on design options.

Olde Towne Clock Tower Plaza Project

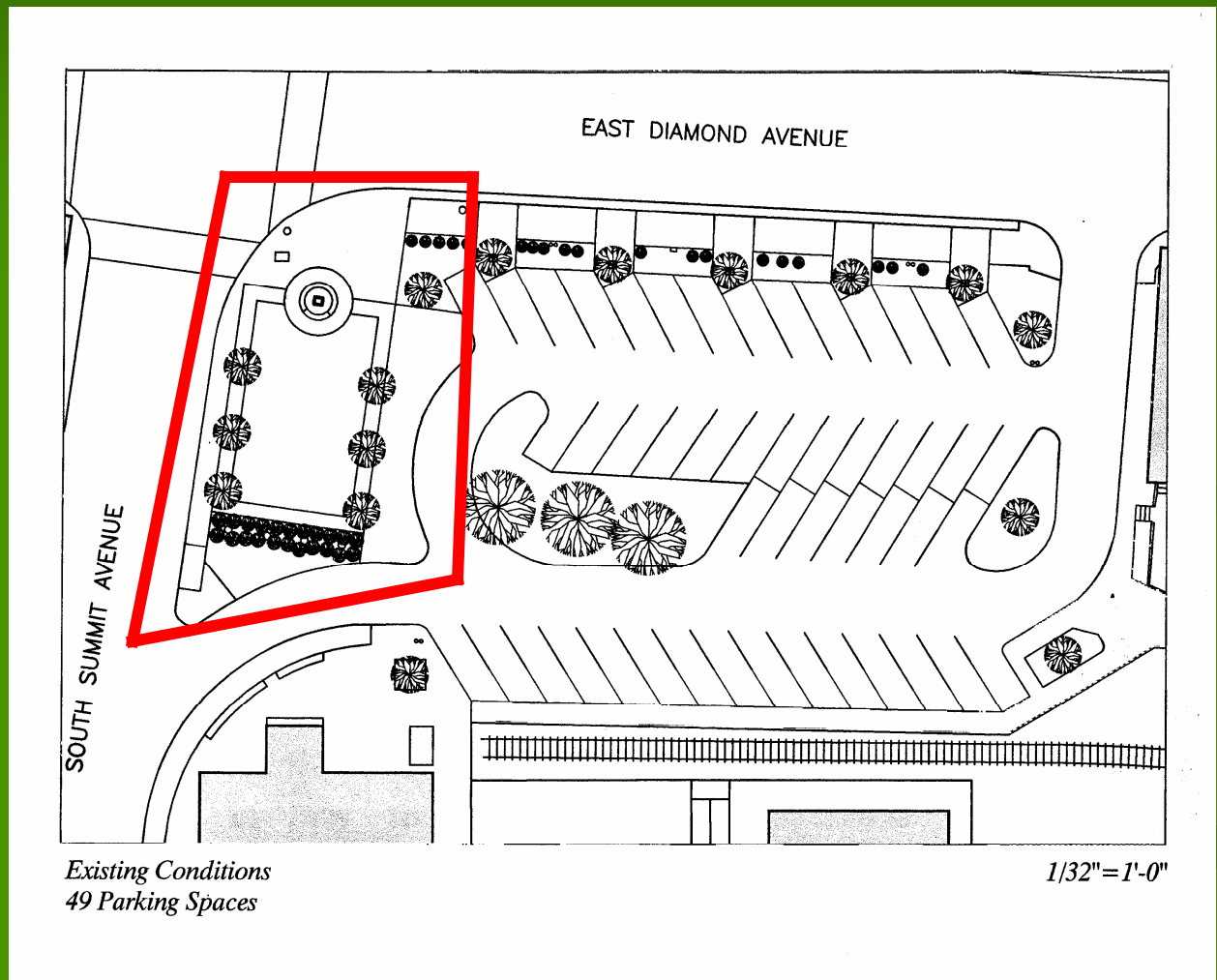
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Presentation Overview

- Goals of project
- Firms currently working on project
- Closure on design elements
- Next steps

Clock Tower Plaza Project

The Clock Tower Plaza project looks to transform the modest hardscape at the corner of Diamond and Summit Avenues.



Existing Site

Clock Tower Plaza Project

The plan's open-center design is intended to turn this area into a vibrant urban park that will serve as a gathering area and can be used to showcase special events. The trellis at the north end of the plaza provides both scale & cover, while the addition of planter walls provides impromptu seating.



Concept by
Macris, Hendricks & Glascock

Proposed Plaza Plan

- The plan, developed in 2003, includes widening the plaza to accommodate the clock tower. This will result in the loss of four parking spaces and one tree.



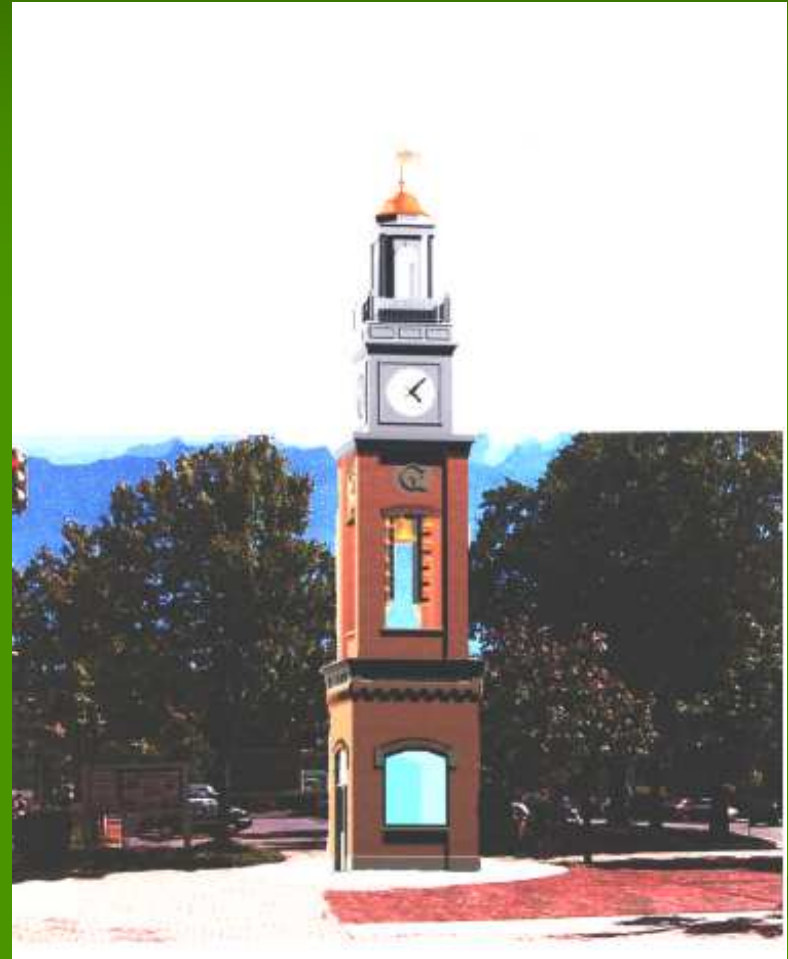
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Tower Design & Construction

- The Verdin Company, a design/build firm, was awarded the contract for a conceptual tower design which was completed in 2006.
- Final restoration of the clock works and preparation for its installation into the tower is highly-specialized work. The City has been working with Balzer Family Clock Works.
- Continued collaboration between Verdin and the Balzers throughout the design and construction period is necessary to ensure that the finished tower and the mechanical clock work properly together.

Clock Tower Concept Plan

- Concept features a steel structure with brick facade and fiberglass cupola
- Approximate Tower Dimensions:
 - 12' x 12' Base
 - 65' Tall
- Design Options:
 - ☒ Hour-strike bell
 - ☒ Auto Rewind
 - ☐ Carillon
 - ☐ AM/PM Shut-off



*Concept design by
Verdin Company*

Next Steps

- Obtain approval on concept plans for plaza and tower, including optional tower components
- Design/construction document phase
- Obtain final site plans & elevations and submit to DRT and HPAC for review
- Apply for Historic Area Work Permit
- Submit Amendment to Final Plan
- Award construction contract